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In response to the Office Action mailed May 25, 2004, applicants provide the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-19 are pending in the application for reconsideration.

The applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for indicating allowable subject matter in claim 14.

Claims 1-6, 10-11, and 15-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Pat. No. 5,081,654 (Stephenson) in view of U.S. Pat. No. 6,707,396 (Govindaraman). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection for the following reasons.

With respect to claim 1, the office action admits that Stephenson does not teach the recited NRZI decoder module to decode received NRZI encoded data using parallel data processing, and relies on Govindaraman for this missing teaching. However, the office action fails to establish a proper motivation to combine the references. The office